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## **\$1 BILLION ALLOCATED TO IMPROVE TRANSPORTATION AND EXPAND STATE'S ECONOMY**

**Sacramento** – Continuing the push to rebuild California's infrastructure and spur job growth, the California Transportation Commission (CTC) allocated \$1 billion to 107 transportation projects statewide, including \$838 million from Proposition 1B, a transportation bond approved by voters in 2006. The remaining allocations came from assorted state and federal transportation accounts.

"From one end of the state to the other, transportation projects are providing jobs and improving mobility for people and businesses in California," said Caltrans Director Cindy McKim.

Since its passage, \$6.8 billion in Proposition 1B funding has been allocated by Caltrans and the CTC. Highlights of funding allocations include:

State Route 99 -Island Park 6-Lane Widening Project will add lanes to ease congestion, improve mobility, reduce commute times and enhance safety from just south of Grantland Avenue in the City of Fresno to just north of Avenue 7 in southern Madera County. When completed, State Route 99 will have a total of six-lanes throughout Fresno County.

State Route 41 – Operational improvements in and near Kettleman City, from Utica Avenue to Quail Avenue. Resurfacing of existing pavement, widening of shoulders, repaving ramps and installation of guardrails to improve ride quality and extend pavement surface life along 23 lane miles.

Kern County Rest Area Improvements - In various counties at Coalinga, Button-willow, Boron, Warlow, Tejon, Coso Junction, and Crestview Safety Roadside Rest Areas. Resurfacing of parking lot and ramp pavement to improve vehicle and pedestrian traffic safety.

State Route 65 - Operational Improvements near Bakersfield, from State Route 99 to south of Merced Avenue. Project will repair pavement areas and repave existing roadway to improve ride quality and extend pavement service life.

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City of Madera – Granada Drive Rehabilitation, Reconstruction and Resurfacing Project. This will improve traffic circulation and safety and preserve and maintain a safe and sound pavement condition.

Tulare County Road 108 Widening - Near the City of Tulare and in the City of Visalia, from the TID Canal (Avenue 250 alignment) to Caldwell Avenue (Avenue 280). Widen from 2 to 4 lanes with separated median to increase capacity and safety.

For information about all projects that received allocations please visit:

[://www.dot.ca.gov/docs/ctcprojectallocationsjanuary2011.](http://www.dot.ca.gov/docs/ctcprojectallocationsjanuary2011)

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